

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Issue of Permits to bring Firewood from the Forest.

*Q.—529. Sri TIRUMALA DEVA RAYALU RANGADEVA RAYALU
(Gangavati).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the Divisional Commissioner of Gulbarga had issued a Circular letter to the Grama Panchayat through the Taluk Development Board, authorising them to issue permits to bring firewood on payment from the forest ;

(b) if so, why fine was imposed by Forest Department on permit holders, issued by Agoli Panchayat of Gangavati Taluk ;

(c) whether Government will refund the amount of fine and if so, when ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Forests and Fisheries).—

(a) No.

(b) As per existing Forest Rules.

(c) Does not arise.

Leave of absence to a Member.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have received a telegram from Sri A. Krishna Shetty, Member of this House requesting leave of absence from attending the current session of Assembly due to ill-health.

Is the House in favour of leave being granted to him ?

HON'BLE MEMBERS.—Yes.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Leave is granted.

Calling Attention to a Matter of urgent Public Importance Re. Disparity in Recent S.S.L.C. Results in Old Mysore and New Mysore area.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಕರಿಯಪ್ಪ (ಕನಕಪುರ).—ಹಳೇ ಮೈಸೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಹೊಸ ಮೈಸೂರು ಪ್ರದೇಶಗಳ ಇತ್ತೀಚಿನ ಎಸ್. ಎಸ್. ಎಲ್. ಸಿ. ಫಲಿತಾಂಶಗಳ ತಾರತಮ್ಯದಿಂದ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸಿರುವ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ವಿದ್ಯಾಶಾಖೆಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತರುತ್ತೇನೆ.

†Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—In the valuation procedure now adopted, an examiner gets answer books from various centres of the State. He does not get more than 15 answer books from any one centre. It is not, therefore, possible for him to make specific

observations on the performances of any examinees of any one area. However, all examiners are required to submit a report to the Chief Examiner regarding their impressions on the general performances of the candidates examined by them. These reports are consolidated by the Chief Examiner and submitted to the Examination Office. Under the circumstances, there are no reports making any specific observations on the performances of examinees from any one area of the State.

Only qualified men were entrusted with the valuation work on the basis of the information furnished by them in their applications. Normally only trained teachers who are teaching the subjects in the schools are appointed as examiners. If any specific instances are quoted, the matter will be investigated and suitable action taken.

The terms used in the Science and Agricultural question papers are those from standard vocabulary prepared by the Educational Research Bureau. Wherever these terms are different from those previously used, the English equivalents are always given in the brackets. The word "pranavayu" is not unfamiliar since it is used in the prescribed text books. Further, the following paragraph is reproduced from the instructions given to the Chief Superintendents of Centres :

"The Chief Superintendents of the centres should take on each day the assistance of an experienced teacher of that subject to go through the English and Kannada versions of the question papers. The teacher should be admitted into the room immediately after the opening of the question paper packets while the papers are being counted and put into covers for being sent to the rooms. The teachers should peruse the versions in the Indian languages carefully and verify whether the words used in the paper are understood in the same sense in that area. If there are words which are understood differently in that area, there are equivalents which are current and used by teachers in that area should be written on a paper and submitted to the Chief Superintendent by making as many copies as there are rooms and three more copies. It should be noted that the teachers is not permitted to go out of the room till half an hour after the question paper is set to the candidates. The note which contains the equivalents as are current in that area should be sent by the Chief Superintendents to all the examination rooms with instructions to the room Superintendents to read them out to the candidates. There should be no oral explanations in the examination rooms. Only the memo should be read out. A copy of the same should be sent to the Deputy Director of Public Instruction (Examinations) and the other copy to the Custodian of the Answer Books of that subject with instructions to hand over the copy to the Chief Examiners concerned. It will be responsibility of the Chief Superintendents to see that the candidates experience no difficulty on account of the differences in the language prevalent in the various areas

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of this State. The above procedure may be followed for other versions in minority languages if such a step is considered necessary."

It is obvious from the above that all efforts are made to see that the candidates are not handicapped due to the use of a term from the standard vocabulary.

I may also add that I have tried to give as much information as possible about the results of each high school in the State. There is an enclosure which will be prepared during the course of the day and placed on the Table of House on Monday.

Member's Representations.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಲ್. ಗೌಡ (ಚಳ್ಳಕೆರೆ).—ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ ಕ್ಷಾಮ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ನಾನು ಒಂದು ಅಡ್ವರ್ನ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೋಷನ್ ತಮಗೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Yesterday we discussed it and I said that I was prepared to postpone the discussion on the report of P.S.C., if necessary. Yesterday we spent a little time on it. Today is a non-official day. Members must remember what is it they have to do. We have to take it as early possible. We have included it in the Agenda of the Business Advisory Committee. It can be taken up at any time. It is for the Leader of the Opposition to have a talk with the Leader of the House in this regard.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎಲ್. ಗೌಡ.—ರೂರ್ಮ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರವಾಗಿ ತರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗದೆ ಹೋದರೆ, ತಮಗೇ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ, ಬಹಳ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ರೂರ್ಮ್ ಸಡಿಲ ಮಾಡಬಹುದು. ಅದನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಕೂಲ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡಬೇಕು. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಳ ಗಂಭೀರ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿ ಇದೆ. ಜನಗಳು ಅನ್ನ ಬಿಟ್ಟೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಸಾಯುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ. ದನಗಳಿಗೆ ಮೇವಿಲ್ಲ. ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಳ ಕರುಣಾ ಜನಕವಾದ ಚಿತ್ರಬಂದಿದೆ. ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಏನೇನು ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಅನ್ನುವುದು ಹೇಳಲು, ಈ ಅಡ್ವರ್ನ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೋಷನ್ ಆರೋ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಹೋದರೆ ಬಹಳ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Sri S. SIVAPPA (Sravana elagola).—The gravity of the situation is people are dying for want of food.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Can I allow it now?

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—Let Government make a statement.

Mr. SPEAKER.—If the Leader of the Opposition meets the Leader of the House for a minute, we can take it up pushing aside the other work.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—Chitradruga is almost in the grips of death.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Maddur) —We have seen pictures and reports in the newspapers. I wonder if these people sitting on the Treasury Benches have seen them. If they had seen them, they would have made a statement on the floor of the House. I cannot think of any more callousness than this. Should they not make a statement of what is happening?